



## Dennis Wayne Boom

January 2, 1940 - May 20, 2017

Beloved Father, Grandfather and Friend

Age 77 of St. Paul, Honolulu, HI and Dallas, TX passed away from complications due to pancreatic cancer on May 20, 2017 in Dallas, TX.

Dennis was born in Marion, ND and grew up in Valley City, ND. He came to St. Paul to attend Hamline University, where after two years he transferred to the U of MN where he received his degree in Mortuary Science in 1962. He spent his entire working career at the Holcomb-Henry-Boom-Purcell Funeral Home. He purchased the funeral home business in 1981 from Earl and Roswitha Holcomb. Dennis and Elaine expanded the business to a second location in Shoreview in 1993. Dennis was an extremely thrifty and generous person. He was an active philanthropist who gave of his heart and time to his community. Dennis was Prime Minister of the 1996 St. Paul Winter Carnival, and was a member and served in leadership roles in the St. Paul Rotary Club, Midway Lions Club, Tusler-Summit Masonic Lodge # 263, St. Paul Osman Shrine, Honolulu Aloha Ct #1 ROJ and Waikiki Yacht Club. He sang in church choirs for over 50 years beginning in Valley City, ND, Hamline United Methodist Church and St. Andrews Cathedral in Honolulu, HI. Dennis had a love of music, and enjoyed volunteering to play the piano, his tuba and the Shriner's Calliope. His true love was international travel and he and his late wife Elaine, traveled the world together, visiting all seven continents. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Elaine (nee Segale) in 2015 and his parents, Aaron and Marie Boom. He is survived by his loving daughter and

son-in-law, Elizabeth and Sean Furrh and his special grandchildren, Annabelle, Sofia and Ian Furrh; cousins and many friends. Visitation 3-8 PM Friday, June 2nd at the HOLCOMB-HENRY-BOOM-PURCELL FUNERAL HOME, 515 Hwy 96 W., at Mackubin, Shoreview. Funeral Service Saturday, June 3rd at 11 AM (visitation 10-11AM) at HAMLIN METHODIST CHURCH, Englewood and Asbury Aves., St. Paul, MN. Interment Calvary Cemetery, St. Paul. Memorials preferred to Hamline Church, St. Paul Rotary Foundation, Hamline University, Osman Shrine Warehouse Fund or Osman Women's Auxiliary.

# Tribute Wall

GB

“ I am so very sad for your loss. Dennis was a fine man and a wonderful friend who will be forever missed.

George Blake - May 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ Dear Dennis's family, Farewell with sympathy to a great friend and associate from my time as Pres of the MN funeral association in the early 80's. his help and friendship will never be forgotten.

Howard C. Friedrich - May 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ Dear Denny,s family, My sincere prayers & sympathy to you. Denny turned out to be a great friend of Marie,s and mine during the years in the early 80's when we were involved in the MN funeral directors assn. Howard Friedrich Sioux Falls SD

Howard Friedrich - May 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I too have felt the pain of losing a loved one due to illness. This pain does lessen, but never completely goes away. It is truly comforting to know the hope God gives us in His Word that we will see our loved ones again in a world without suffering...the paradise earth God intended for mankind. A wonderful time when Mr Boom will embrace life again, healthy to enjoy music, traveling & all the things he loves with his beloved wife, family & friends. John 5:28,29; Isaiah 33:24; Revelation 21;3-5; Psalms 37:10,11,29. JW.ORG

Beth - May 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Dear Elizabeth, Shawne, Annabelle, Sophia & Ian, May you all find comfort in your good memories that you will share together with all your family and friends. We are thinking and saying a prayer for all of your family. Hugs from Rena, Don Huber & family.

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**Rena(Boom) and Don Huber and families** - May 25, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ So very sad. I have known Dennis for all of my life, so it seems. So many memories. So sad.

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**Linda Holcomb Lundquist** - May 24, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ I lost my husband & my mother within 6 months of each other over 18 years ago. They live on in my heart in a different deeper seated dimension now that they are up in Heaven with my father & my little sister & lots of other family members, pets & friends. Lots of Love & Prayers To You All. Barbara Iverson Johnson Class of 1960

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**Barbara Iverson Johnson** - May 24, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ We were sorry to hear of the passing of Dennis. We always enjoyed his attendance at the Boom Picnic. My mother, Ramona Boom Waldie, one of Anthony and Esther's children, was a cousin. She was older than Dennis but told us stories about playing funeral with him when they would find dead, little birds. He was an amazing man. He leaves a wonderful legacy. With sincere sympathy, Rita

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**Rita Waldie Greer** - May 24, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Beth and family, Our deepest sympathy to you on the death of your dad. He was an amazing man and will be greatly missed by many. Our thoughts and our prayers are with you. Hold close your many fond memories of your dad!*

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**Dwight & Gwen (Miedema) Schmidt** - May 22, 2017 at 12:00 AM